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SUBJECT: Maps of China

TO: Chief of Engineers

1. Reference is made to the restrictions placed upon distribution of maps and charts of Chinese territory which allow distribution to agencies of the U.S. War, State and Navy Departments only. These restrictions have heretofore applied to maps obtained from the Chinese aerial photographs of China, and maps and charts compiled therefrom.

2. Since difficulty was encountered in controlling the dissemination of maps and charts of small scales and, further, since little topographic detail is portrayed at these scales, the China theater has agreed that no restrictions need be placed on maps and charts of scale 1/250,000 and smaller. Accordingly, you are authorized to remove these special restrictions from maps and charts of the scales indicated. The spirit of the agreement under which the original restriction was made should be adhered to by all using agencies. Maps and charts of these scales should conform to conventional design and no detailed topographic information except that normally shown at such scales should be included. Similarly, large scale material should not be directly reduced to a scale of 1/250,000 or smaller merely to avoid the restriction under this authorization.

3. A copy of this letter is being furnished appropriate agencies of the Military Intelligence Service, the Joint Intelligence Committee (for the Joint Topographic Sub-Committee) and the Army Air Forces (for the Aeronautical Chart Service).

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